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SUBJECT: REFUGEE AFFAIRS

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1. MISSION INFORMED ICRC CHIEF OF OPERATIONS HOCKE OF POSITION OUTLINED IN PARA 2, REFTEL A AS AMPLIFIED BY REFTEL B, AND SUGGESTED NESSI AND NAVILLE CONTACT EMB SANTIAGO FOR DISCUSSION OF MANNER IN WHICH EMB CAN BE HELPFUL.

2. HOCKE INDICATED ICRC GRATIFIED BY ASSURANCE OF USG SUPPORT (WHICH MISOFF MADE CLEAR RELATED TO REFUGEES) AND EXPECTED ICRC WOULD APPROACH US WITHER IN WASHINGTON OR GENEVA FOR SPECIFIC FOLLOWUP SUPPORT AFTER NESSI AND NAVILLE DEPART CHILE. HOCKE DOUBTED NESSI AND NAVILLE WOULD VISIT EMB SANTIAGO FOR FEAR GOC MIGHT THEN BELIEVE ICRC MISSION WORKING DIRECTLY WITH USG, BUT DID NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY OF VISIT IF CONDITIONS WERE PROPITIOUS.

3. HOCKE ALSO SAID ICRC GENEVA HAS RECEIVED REPORT FROM NESSI AND NAVILLE INDICATING GOC HAS AGREED TO ABIDE BY
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PRINCIPLES OF GENEVA CONVENTIONS. NOT CLEAR YET, HOWEVER, HOW

WELL GOC UNDERSTANDS APPLICATION AND SPIRIT OF CONVENTIONS, AND HOW CONVENTIONS CAN BE SPECIFICALLY APPLIED TO SITUATION IN CHILE. IN ANY CASE, ICRC CHIEFLY CONCERNED AT THIS POINT WITH FINDING MEANS OF GUARANTEEING SAFE DEPARTURE FROM CHILE OF UNDERGROUND FUGITIVES NOT PRESENTLY IN EMBASSIES OR OTHER SAFEHAVENS AS WELL AS WITH CONDITIONS OF DETENTION AND THE HALTING OF EXECUTIONS AND CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. WHILE NOT SPECIFICALLY STATING IT, HOCKE IMPLIED REQUEST FOR FOLLOW-UP USG SUPPORT WILL INCLUDE ALL THREE OF THESE CONCERNS. HE ALSO SAID ICRC HAS ALREADY OBTAINED ASSURANCES OF SUPPORT FROM SEVERAL EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS.

4. DURING EARLIER CALL OF AMBASSADOR KELLOGG AND MISOFF ON GALLOPIN, PRESIDENT ICRC EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, HE INDICATED NESSI AND NAVILLE EXPECTED RETURN GENEVA WEEKEND DEC 8 AND THAT MISSION WILL RECEIVE FULL BENEFIT OF THEIR REPORT. FOLLOWING SUBMISSION OF REPORT, ICRC WILL DECIDE WHETHER APPROACH USG AND OTHER GOVTS FOR THEIR SUPPORT.
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